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## Week of September 19 - September 25, 2005

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Warm temperatures with scattered precipitation. **FIELD CROP REPORT:** An average of 6.1 days were suitable for field work. Winter wheat planting was 96 percent complete, 19

Good progress on corn silage harvest.

Winter wheat seeding wrapping up.

Daytime highs were mostly in the mid 70's to the 80's, while night time temperatures were mostly in the mid 20's to low 40's. Temperatures continued to be warm and were above normal for the entire state. Most areas continued to avoid the first freezing temperatures.

As of September 25, 40 percent of the State had adequate topsoil moisture and 1 percent was surplus, 7 points above last week. Topsoil moisture supplies were well ahead of the 5-year average of 24 percent adequate or surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated adequate or surplus in 71 percent of the state, compared with 37 percent adequate last year. Some irrigation districts were shutting canals down.

SOIL MOISTURE TABLE

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TOPSOIL	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avq	
		Percent			
Very					
Short	18	20	24	30	
Short	41	46	43	46	
Adeq	40	34	33	23	
Surp	1	0	0	1	

Crop	<b>PROGRESS</b>	<b>TABLE</b>

**Percent** 

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	This	Last	Last	5-Yr	
	Week	Week	Year	Avg	
	Percent				
Winter Wheat Plante	d 96	85	77	88	
Winter Wheat Emerge	d 69	46	56	62	
Oats Harvested	97	94	94	96	
Corn Dent	89	83	67	87	
Corn Mature	33	23	13	56	
Corn Silage Harvest	ed 80	52	76	80	
Dry Beans Windrowed	59	65	50	79	
Dry Beans Combined		39	29	59	
Sugarbeets Harveste		0	0	2	

## **Corn Mature**

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Alfalfa Third Cut 45 30 30 60

FIELD CROP REPORT: An average of 6.1 days were suitable for field work. Winter wheat planting was 96 percent complete, 19 points ahead of last year and 8 points ahead of the average. Winter wheat emerged on 69 percent of the acreage, also ahead of last year and average. Oats harvest was 97 percent complete, ahead of last year by 3 points and ahead of the average by 1 point.

Sugarbeets condition, at 85 percent rated good, was unchanged from last week and still 9 points above last year at this time. Corn condition fell slightly with 13 percent rated excellent and 64 percent good, but was still much better than last year when only 63 percent was rated good and none excellent. Eighty-nine percent of the corn was dented, 2 points ahead of average and 22 points ahead of last year. Corn was mature on 33 percent of the acreage, about 10 days behind the average. Corn was harvested for silage on 80 percent of the expected acreage, catching up with the average and 4 points ahead of last year.

Dry beans remained in mostly good condition, with 80 percent rated good and 20 percent fair. Seventy-seven percent of the dry beans were windrowed, ahead of last year by 27 points but 2 points behind average. Fifty-nine percent of the dry beans were combined, even with the average and 30 points ahead of last year. The third cutting of alfalfa was 45 percent complete, 15 points ahead of last year but 15 points behind average. Favorable weather allowed more third cutting of alfalfa hay than usual in some areas.

**CROP CONDITION TABLE** 

ITEM	V	POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCEL		
	Percent							
Corn		0	5	18	64	13		
Sugarbeets		0	0	15	85	0		
Dry Beans		0	0	20	80	0		

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT:** Range and pasture lands were rated good or excellent in 49 percent of the state, up another 2 points from last week and well ahead of last year's 13 percent and the 5-year average of 10 percent. Conditions were still well below those of 1999 at this time. Livestock were all rated in mostly good condition.

PASTURE AND RANGE FEED

	This	Last	Last	5-Yr
	Week	Week	Year	Avg
		Perc	ent	
Very Poor	5	5	40	34
Poor	16	17	25	30
Fair	30	31	22	26
Good	45	43	9	9
Excellent	4	4	4	1_

**WEATHER SUMMARY:** For the week ending Friday, September 23rd, temperatures ranged from 0.5 degrees above normal in Afton to 6.2 degrees above normal in Cheyenne. The high temperature was 91 in Torrington and the low was 21 in Jackson. Most areas received some rain but amounts were generally below normal. The most precipitation was reported in Jackson with 0.75 inches and Afton and Laramie with 0.36 inches.

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 23, 2005

TEMPERATURE :				PRECIPITATION				
: :	:	:	:	:	:	CUMUL	ATIVE	1/
: : :	: : : : : : :		DEP. : FROM :	AMT.:	FROM :	1/05 : TO :	NORM : THRU : CURR : WEEK :	FROM
SNAKE DRAINAGE								
Jackson Afton	75 79	21 26	1.2 0.5	0.75 0.36	0.40	10.71 14.59	12.78 13.54	-2.07 1.05
GREEN & BEAR DRAINA Uinta County AP Big Piney AP	79 77	34 22	2.3 1.5	0.29 0.21	0.03	8.31 8.99	8.48 6.00	-0.17 2.99
Rock Springs AP BIG HORN DRAINAGE	78	38	1.3	0.21	0.02	7.23	7.16	0.07
Cody Deaver Greybull AP	82 85 86	38 34 33	6.1 0.7 0.9	0.02 0.02 0.05	-0.25 -0.12 -0.15	9.39 6.89 5.22	8.95 4.79 6.05	0.44 2.11 -0.83
Powell Field St Worland FAA AP	83 86	36 32	3.6 1.9	0.03	-0.13 -0.11	7.96 5.59	6.18 6.43	1.78
POWDER, LITTLE MO. Kaycee Sheridan WSO AP	& TONG 85 88	<b>UE DRA</b> 36 35	3.7 3.6	0.02	-0.28 -0.35	10.72 13.85	10.92 11.61	-0.20 2.24
BELLE FOURCHE DRAIN Dillinger		38	4.2	0.00	-0.33	14.13	12.11	2.24
Sundance	85	41	3.9	0.01	-0.32	9.63	15.34	-5.71
CHEYENNE & NIOBRARA Newcastle	85	41	5.1	0.11	-0.17	14.58	13.29	1.29
Redbird LOWER PLATTE DRAINA	84 . <b>GE</b>	35	4.4	0.02	-0.30	13.46	13.17	0.29
Archer Casper AP Cheyenne AP	88 85 83	36 38 41	5.0 5.1 6.2	0.05 T 0.11	-0.29 -0.21 -0.20	13.87 8.34 12.04	14.35 10.27 13.41	-0.48 -1.93 -1.37
Chugwater Douglas AP Torrington AP	86 87 91	38 37 39	4.9 5.2 5.4	0.30 0.11 0.20	0.01 -0.08 -0.07	12.70 7.36 12.45	13.25 10.59 11.76	-0.55 -3.23 0.69
Wheatland 4 N WIND RIVER DRAINAGE	89	37	4.3	0.28	0.00	11.94	11.20	0.74
Lander AP Riverton AP UPPER PLATTE DRAINA	84 84 . <b>GE</b>	38 40	2.8 5.1	0.02	-0.27 -0.18	8.72 5.24	10.23 6.95	-1.51 -1.71
Laramie AP Rawlins AP Saratoga	79 78 78	29 36 31	4.1 3.6 2.3	0.36 0.12 0.22	0.13 -0.08 0.00	8.03 7.13 7.49	9.35 7.62 8.00	-1.32 -0.49 -0.51

BLANKS - INDICATE MISSING DATA.

AP - AIRPORT. T - TRACE. () - ESTIMATES.

1/LATE REPORTS CAN CHANGE PREVIOUS WEEK'S CUMULATIVE TOTALS.